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1. The raw lignite delivery quota of the Ministry for Heavy Industry was set at 49,714,600 tons in a Presidium resolution of 28 May 1954. This amount was broken down as follows:

Main Administration for Lignite	44,080,100 tons
Main Administration for Liquid Fuels	5,621,500 tons
Main Administration for Metallurgy	13,000 tons

2. Against these Plan amounts, delivery of the following tonnage was offered:

Main Administration for Lignite	44,080,100 tons
Offered:	43,872,700 tons
Deficit:	207,400 tons
Main Administration for Liquid Fuels	5,621,500 tons
Offered:	4,513,800 tons
Deficit:	1,107,700 tons
Total deficit:	1,315,100 tons

3. The Ministry's Central Department for Planning informed the Marketing Department for Coal on 15 September 1954 that it had received from the Main Administration for Lignite a new Delivery Plan which gave a figure of some 200,000 tons less than the above figure, making the actual delivery deficit for this main administration 407,400 tons. However, balancing this was a change in the Plan of the Main Administration for Liquid Fuels which offered delivery of 4,714,000 tons, changing the deficit of this main administration from 1,107,700 tons to 907,500 tons. Nevertheless, the total of the deficits of the two main administrations remained at about 1,315,000 tons.

4. The Central Marketing Department for Coal did not have on hand any data on the new Plan of the Main Administration for Lignite. Difficulties were encountered in setting up the Delivery Plan, since the Central Marketing Department did not have the data on quantities available for sale at the various plants. This data was also necessary for organizing orderly deliveries to the various scheduled recipients listed in the resolution of the Presidium on 23

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